

Edward Jones to George Washington, December 7, 1772, Letters to Washington and Accompanying Papers. Published by the Society of the Colonial Dames of America. Edited by Stanislaus Murray Hamilton.

FROM EDWARD JONES.¹

December ye 7th. 1772

SIR

I Recd. your Letter of ye. 4th. Instant in which I find you Desire an Exact Account of all things Relating to my proceedings Since I Have Been your Overseer &. In the first place you Inquire if I have done Lofting & prizing which I have not But if weather Permit I Shall be Done by the Latter End of Next week as for what Quantity I Shall have of Each I Cannot tell as yet But I Shall Know by then your fellow Comes up again But I will Safely Secure the whole Mr. Powel & I am to Carry the Hogs Down this week and Concerning what you wrote about the Larger hogs I told Mr. Powel as for the other Stock I will take Care of as Long as I Stay—& the fodder is Safely Secured & as for the Rails & out houses I do not Intend to burn them Nor Let any Body do it if I Can help it but I hope Sir you do not Desire me to watch them a nites I paid your Mother 5£ 10/ Last fall She had 2 Shotes and 3 Lambs in the Summer a Large Shote. I had 4 Barrels of Corn of her and when it Came to be measured it was But 17 Bushels the Rest I have not had an acct of as yet But you Shall know the whole in my next—I think Sir I have Been as perticular in Every thing as the Exactness of your Letter Could Direct or you Could Desire I add no more but Remain your Most Huml. Sert.

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1 An entry in Washington's Diary dated September 13, 1771, reads, "Agreed with Edwd. Jones to continue Overseer at the place my Mother lives at who is also to be constant in his attendance on the People he looks after (five in number) for which he is to be allowd the Seventh of Corn Wheat & Tobo.—He also is to have two Horses added to those two he already has."